

Legislation Committee

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(or immediately following the 9:45 a.m. Operations Committee, whichever occurs later) Joseph P. Bort
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1. Roll Call

Minutes of July 11, 2008 Meeting*

2. Action: Approval

- [2 MinutesJuly.doc](#)

Legislative History*

Review of pertinent legislation from Sacramento and Washington, D.C.

3. Presented by: R. Long

Action: Information

- [Sept.doc](#)

4. November 2008 Ballot Measures*

Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century (State Prop. 1A)

A rail bond measure to link the Bay Area with the Central Valley and Southern California

4a. Presented by: R. Long

Action: Commission Approval

Recommended position: Support

• [4a_Prop1A-HighSpeedRail.doc](#)

Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority Sales Tax (Measure B)

A permanent, 1/8-cent, 30-year sales tax dedicated to pay operating and maintenance costs associated with extending BART to Santa Clara County

4b. Presented by: E. Griffin

Action: Commission Approval

Recommended position: Support

• [4b_VTA-MeasureB.doc](#)

Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit Sales Tax (Measure Q)

A 1/4-cent sales tax for construction and operation of a 70-mile passenger rail system and connecting bicycle/pedestrian pathway

4c. Presented by: E. Griffin

Action: Commission Approval

Recommended position: Support

• [4c_SMARTMeasureQ.doc](#)

FY 2008-09 State Budget*

5. *An update on the stalemate*

Presented by: R. Long

Action: Information

- [5_StateBudget08-09.doc](#)

6 Federal Legislation*

FY 2008-09 Federal Appropriations

Update on FY 2008-09 appropriations for transportation

6a. Presented by: R. Rentschler

Action: Information

- [6a_2009Federal_AppropsMemo.doc](#)

Tom Bulger's Report

Report from MTC's advocate in D.C.

6b. Presented by: R. Rentschler

Action: Information

- [6b_Bulger.doc](#)

Next meeting

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